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For : WINDOW FRAME WITH BOTH TEMPORARY AND
PERMANENT CONNECTIONS

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, before the first sentence, add the following paragraph:

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--This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/412,763, filed
October 1, 1999 (abandoned).--.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2 and 8 ✓

Please rewrite claims 1, 3, 7, 13 and 18 as indicated below. A version marked up
to show all the changes relative to the previous revision of the amended claims is at Appendix A.

-1- (Amended)

A window frame comprising:

a first frame half;

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a second frame half having a ship orientation and an install orientation with
respect to said first frame half, said second frame half being moved between the ship and install
orientations by rotating said second frame half within its own plane;